ORDINANCE 2005-04

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2004-02, PRESCRIBING THE POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR OF THE CITY OF SOMERSET

WHEREAS, Chapter 22 of the Texas Local Government Code authorizes a Type-A General Law Municipality to prescribe the powers and duties of municipal officers; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 25 of the Texas Local Government Code does not limit the authority of the governing body of a general-law Municipality to appoint and prescribe the powers and duties of a municipal officer under Chapter 22; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Somerset understands the importance of continuity and effective facilitation of daily operations; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Somerset find it is in the best interests of the City of Somerset to prescribe certain duties and powers to the City Administrator as set forth in this ordinance,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOMERSET, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. With the Mayor's approval, the City Administrator hereby shall have the power and the duty to hire, assign, promote, demote, suspend, transfer, discharge, or otherwise discipline employees of the City; to ensure the enforcement of all applicable laws and all ordinances of the City; to determine methods, equipment, and facilities and other means necessary to conduct City operations; to negotiate public franchises and other necessary contracts needed for the operation of the City; to take steps deemed necessary to maintain efficiency and safety in City operations; to assist the Mayor when preparing the budget of the City for approval by the City Council; and to perform all other duties which the City Council may prescribe from time to time.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOMERSET ON/THE 31, DAY OF MAY 2005.

Fred Gonzales, Mayor

ATTEST: (Lle_11), Skeller Hicks, City Clerk